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RYOICHI SHIMIZU )  
Appln. No. 08/883,322 )  
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RATE VIDEO TAPE RECORDER )

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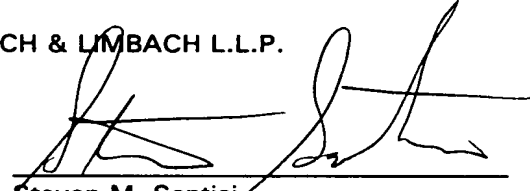
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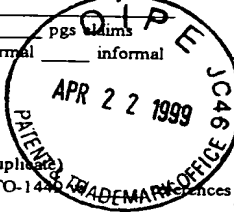
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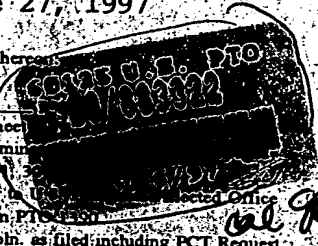
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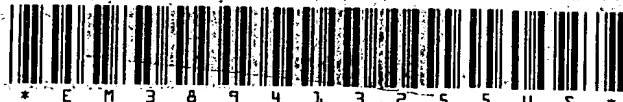
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